## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1 - 37, 39 and 42 - 50 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof and amend claims 38, 40 and 41 as follows:

Claims 1 - 37 (canceled)

38. (currently amended) A digital recorder/reproducer according to claim 37, further-apparatus having a first recorder/reproducer and a second recorder/reproducer for recording and reproducing signals on a first recording medium and a second recording medium and capable of transmitting input and output signals between said recording media, said digital recorder/reproducer apparatus comprising:

a receiver which receives a video signal, an audio signal and an information signal;

a compressed data generator which compresses said video and audio signals to produce compressed data;

an expanded data generator which expands said compressed data to produce the original video and audio signals;

a CM predictor means for predicting-detector which detects the start and end

<u>a</u> CM history memory means for storing which stores said CM predicted detected results; and

points of commercials included in a television broadcast;

<u>a</u> first control means for changing controller which changes the places for signals to be recorded and reproduced, on said fifth and sixth first and second recording media in accordance with said CM history information;

wherein said second recording medium is reproduced while said compressed data is being recorded on said first recording medium.

## Claim 39 (canceled)

- 40. (currently amended) A digital recorder/reproducer <u>apparatus</u> according to claim-37\_38, wherein said <del>digital</del> compressed data generator <del>means</del> has <u>a</u> compression-ratio <del>changing means for changing which changes</del> the compression ratio adaptively according to said video signal and/or said audio signal, and after a certain amount of data is recorded on said <del>fifth</del> first recording medium, said compressed data are transmitted from said <del>fifth</del> first recording medium to said <del>sixth</del> second recording medium, and recorded thereon.
- 41. (currently amended) A digital recorder/reproducer <u>apparatus</u> according to claim-37 38, further comprising <u>a</u> transmission speed detector <del>means for detecting</del> which detects that said compressed data is generated from said compressed data generator <del>means</del>-at a transmission speed different from that of said compressed data recorded on said fifth-first recording medium, wherein after said compressed data of a certain amount is recorded on said <del>sixth-second</del> recording medium, said compressed data is transmitted from said second recording medium to said fifth-first recording medium, and recorded thereon on the basis of said detected results.

Claims 42 - 50 (canceled)